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**PERFORMANCE ORIENTED PACKAGING TESTING
OF PACKING BOX FOR
CKU-5B/A AIRCRAFT EJECTION (ROCKET) CATAPULT
FOR PACKING GROUP II SOLID HAZARDOUS MATERIALS**

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INTRODUCTION

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Due to unavailability only one box was used for testing. This is less than the number required by the regulations. Approval for this deviation has been granted by the Under Secretary of Defense, Memorandum for the Joint Logistics Commanders dated 22 February 1990.

TESTS PERFORMED

1. Base Level Vibration Test

This test was performed in accordance with Title 49 CFR, Part 178, Subpart M, Sec. 178.608. The box was placed on a repetitive shock platform which has a vertical linear motion of 1-inch double amplitude. Movement of the box was restricted during vibration in all but the vertical direction. The frequency of the platform was increased until the box left the platform 1/16 of an inch at some instant during each cycle. Test time was 1 hour.

2. Stacking Test

This test was performed in accordance with Title 49 CFR, Part 178, Subpart M, Sec. 178.606. The box was subjected to a force applied to its top surface equivalent to the total weight of identical packages stacked to a minimum height of 3 meters (including the test box). A weight of 454 kg (1,000 pounds) was stacked on the test box. The test was performed for 24 hours. The weight was then removed and the box examined.

3. Drop Test

This test was performed in accordance with Title 49 CFR, Part 178, Subpart M, Sec. 178.603. Five drops were performed from a height of 1.2 meters (4 feet), impacting the following surfaces:

- a. Flat bottom.
- b. Flat top.

- c. Flat on long side.
- d. Flat on short side.
- e. One corner.

PASS/FAIL

1. Base Level Vibration Test

The criteria for passing the base level vibration test is outlined in Title 49 CFR, Sec. 178.608(c): No test sample should show any deterioration which could adversely affect transportation safety or any distortion liable to reduce packaging strength.

2. Stacking Test

The criteria for passing the stacking test is outlined in Title 49 CFR, Sec. 178.606(d): No test sample may show any deterioration which could adversely affect transportation safety or any distortion likely to reduce its strength, cause instability in stacks of packages, or cause damage to inner packagings likely to reduce safety in transportation.

3. Drop Test

The criteria for passing the drop test is outlined in Title 49 CFR, Sec. 178.603(f): A package is considered to successfully pass the drop tests if for each sample tested, no rupture occurs which would permit spillage of loose explosive substances or articles from the outer packaging.

TEST RESULTS

1. Base Level Vibration Test

Satisfactory.

2. Stacking Test

Satisfactory.

3. Drop Test

Satisfactory.

DISCUSSION

1. Base Level Vibration Test

The input vibration frequency was 3.4 Hz. Immediately after the vibration test was completed, the box was removed from the platform, turned on its side and inspected. No unfavorable distortion or deterioration was observed.

2. Stacking Test

The box was inspected after the 24-hour period was over. No unfavorable distortion or deterioration was observed.

3. Drop Test

After each drop, the box was inspected. The rocket catapult was completely retained by the box.

REFERENCE MATERIAL

A. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 49 CFR, Parts 107-178.

B. Bureau of Explosives Tariff No. BOE 6000K Hazardous Materials Regulations of the Department of Transportation by Air, Rail, Highway, Water including Specifications for Shipping Containers.

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TEST DATA SHEET

POP MARKING:	
UN 4C1/Y21/S/**/USA/DOD/NAD	
**YEAR LAST PACKED OR MANUFACTURED	
Container: Packing Box for the CKU-5B/A Aircraft Ejection (Rocket) Catapult	
Type: 4C1	Container P/N or NSN: N/A
Drawing Number: NAVORDSTA 6610161	Outer Packaging Material: Wood
Dimensions: 47" L x 8-1/2" W x 6" H	Gross Weight: 21 kg (46 pounds)
Closure (Method/Type): Nails and Strapping	Tare Weight: 11 kg (24 pounds)
Additional Description: PPP-B-621 Wood Box	
PACKAGED COMMODITY:	
Name: See table 1	NSN(s): See table 1
United Nations Number: See table 1	
United Nations Packing Group: II	
Physical State (Solid, Liquid, or Gas): Solid	
Vapor Pressure (Liquids Only): N/A At 50 °C: N/A At 55 °C: N/A	
Consistency/Viscosity: N/A	Density/Specific Gravity: N/A
Amount Per Container: See table 1	Flash Point: N/A
Net Weight: See table 1	
PACKAGED COMMODITY USED FOR TEST:	
Name: CKU-5B/A Rocket Catapult	Physical State: Solid (inert)
Consistency: N/A	Density/Specific Gravity: N/A
Test Pressure (Liquids Only): N/A	Net Weight: 10 kg (22 pounds)
Additional Description: The net weight includes the current maximum commodity weight plus an additional 1 kg (2 pounds).	

N/A = Not Applicable

TABLE 1
Commodities Approved for Shipping in the
Packing Box for the CKU-5B/A Aircraft Ejection (Rocket) Catapult

NALC/ DODIC	NSN	Commodity Nomenclature	Packing Drawing Number	Haz Class/Div	UN Number	Units/ Cntr	Total Net Weight (lb)	Total Gross Weight (lb)
MT47	1377-01-359-3194	CKU-5B/A Rocket Catapult	6610161	1.3C	0186	1	20.5	44.5

N/A = Not Assigned